

STATE OF TASMANIA

MONTHLY STATISTICS - OCTOBER-NOVEMBER, 1940

RAILWAYS.		1939	1940	1940	1940
		November.	September.	October.	November.
Gross Revenue	£	43,552	44,772	49,563	48,042
Working Costs, excl. Interest	£	47,013	50,371	53,836	52,959
Train Miles run (incl. Rail Motor)	No.	175,354	169,478	186,461	180,292
Passenger Journeys	"	161,971	258,543	209,348	(a)
Goods and Live Stock	Tons	75,408	77,111	83,045	74,277
(a) Not available.					

ELECTRIC POWER - Units generated by		1939	1940	1940
		November.	October.	November.
Hydro-Electric Department		44,059,400	47,657,400	45,927,900
Mt. Lyell Mining & Railway Co.)				
Launceston City Council)				
Pioneer Tin Mining Co.)				
Small, Plants, estimated)		6,006,526	5,901,965	5,731,551
Total Units		50,065,926	53,559,365	51,659,451
Units supplied to Hobart Metropolitan area:		29,463,200	32,064,300	30,792,400
" " " Launceston & Suburbs:		2,201,598	2,626,263	2,446,643

EMPLOYMENT - Private.		1939	1940	1940	1940
		November.	September.	October.	November.
50 Factories		9,135	9,567	9,498	9,531
14 Retail, etc.		1,023	1,007	1,018	1,025
10 Miscellaneous, incl. Banks,					
Insurance, Motor Oils,					
Private Railways, etc.		1,035	1,062	1,042	1,099
		11,193	11,636	11,558	11,655

REAL ESTATE STATISTICS.		1939	1940	1940	1940
		November.	September.	October.	November.
Real Property Act.		£	£	£	£
Value of Land Transfers		101,589	98,270	101,382	68,850
" " Mortgages registered		89,758	45,145	78,410	41,020
" " " discharged		53,831	39,355	33,787	21,744
" " " partially discharged		3,227	3,042	2,130	2,862
Registration under Deeds Act.					
Value of Conveyances		70,462	82,667	58,656	64,066
" " Mortgages		49,428	68,018	59,120	45,270
" " Reconveyances		31,447	40,709	39,789	25,489

FINANCE. November 1939 and 1940.		Consolidated Revenue Fund.			
		Receipts.		Payments.	
		November.	5 Months.	November.	5 Months.
		1939	1940	1939	1940
£233,043	£166,445	£957,090	£904,225	£265,892	£318,336
				£1,131,661	£1,194,892
Excess of Payments over Receipts for 5 months ended 31st. November 1940:				£290,667	
				1939: £174,571	

BUTTER PRODUCTION. (Factory)		1939	1940	1940	1940
		November.	August.	September.	November.
Butter lb.		1,518,577	233,179	605,234	1,182,130
					1,357,449

SAVINGS BANK DEPOSITS.

	<u>1939</u> <u>November.</u> £	<u>1940</u> <u>October.</u> £	<u>1940</u> <u>November.</u> £
Commonwealth Savings Bank -	2,346,838	2,327,425	2,341,978
Trustee Savings Banks - Hobart, L'ton.	6,232,468	6,385,519	6,405,839
	<u>8,579,306</u>	<u>8,712,944</u>	<u>8,747,817</u>

BANK CLEARINGS.

Hobart	2,627,217	2,858,881	2,658,979
Launceston	1,087,133	1,121,339	1,050,531

MOTOR REGISTRATIONS. (Exclusive of Commonwealth-Owned Motor Vehicles) - November, 1940.
(of Civil and Defence Services.)

	<u>Lorries,</u> <u>&c.</u>	<u>Utilities.</u>	<u>Motor</u> <u>Cycles.</u>	<u>Cars & Other</u> <u>Vehicles.</u>
No. on Register at 1.11.40.	3,217	2,086	3,408	17,919
Lapsed Registrations	284	146	342	1,774
	<u>2,933</u>	<u>1,940</u>	<u>3,066</u>	<u>16,145</u>
Registrations - November, 1940.				
New Vehicles	25	18	10	57
Used Vehicles	<u>277</u>	<u>183</u>	<u>283</u>	<u>1,682</u>

No. on Register end November, 1940:	3,235	2,141	3,359	17,884
" " " " 1939:	5,118	(a)	3,611	17,844

(a) Included with Lorries.

COMMONWEALTH SALES TAX.

	<u>Net Sales of Taxable</u> <u>and Exempt Goods.</u> £	<u>Net Taxable</u> <u>Sales.</u> £	<u>Sales Tax</u> <u>Collected.</u> £
1939			
November	786,019	225,724	15,952
1940			
August	756,950	185,750	20,045
September	710,920	187,660	18,992
October	821,831	222,191	19,927
November	759,451	189,794	18,268

RETAIL PRICE INDEX NUMBERS. Cost of Food and Groceries.
(6 Capitals in 1923-1927 as Base = 1000)

	<u>1939</u> <u>November.</u>	<u>1940</u> <u>September.</u>	<u>1940</u> <u>October.</u>	<u>1940</u> <u>November.</u>
Hobart	944	962	973	973
Launceston	921	949	947	953
Burnie	961	976	985	998
Devonport	938	981	986	996
Queenstown	1018	1034	1037	1052
Weighted Average, Tasmania:	940	962	968	971
Rosebery	1053	1103	1113	1130

CROP STATISTICS.

	<u>Season 1940-41.</u> (Estimated)	<u>Season 1939-40.</u> (Actual)
	<u>Acres.</u>	<u>Bushels.</u>
Wheat	9,000	180,000
Barley, English	4,600	115,500
Oats, White	6,600	181,300
Algerian & Other	15,700	190,700
Peas, Blue	11,200	341,700
Grey & Other	8,600	124,200
Potatoes	34,200	229,700
Hay	62,800	(a)110,300
		(a)106,600
		(a)140,300

(a) Tons

STOCKS OF WHEAT AND FLOUR - 30th. November, 1939 and 1940.

		<u>Wheat.</u> <u>Bushels.</u>	<u>Flour.</u> <u>Tons.</u>	<u>Total as Wheat.</u> <u>Bushels.</u>
Sold by Millers	(1939)	159,743	870	201,503
	(1940)	272,553	1,583	348,537
Sold by Merchants, Bakers, etc.	(1939)	2,508	825	42,108
	(1940)	595	810	39,475
TOTAL:	(1939)	162,251	1,695	243,611
	(1940)	273,148	2,393	388,012

FIRE, MARINE & GENERAL INSURANCE (Other than Life Assurance).

The following summary gives a comparison of the aggregate results for the last five years:-

	<u>1939-40.</u> £	<u>1938-39.</u> £	<u>1937-36.</u> £	<u>1936-37.</u> £	<u>1935-36.</u> £
Premiums	470,135	457,109	427,383	377,454	338,209
Losses	178,539	204,315	166,600	143,030	124,679
Expenses	198,841	188,012	169,531	164,213	146,734
Trading Profit:	92,755	64,782	91,252	70,221	66,796
	% of prem.	% of prem.	% of prem.	% of prem.	% of prem.
Losses	38.0	44.7	39.0	37.9	36.9
Expenses	42.3	41.1	39.7	43.5	43.4
Trading Profit:	19.7	14.2	21.4	18.6	19.7

POPULATION &c. TASMANIA - ESTIMATED POPULATION, 30th. Sept. 1940 .. 237,865
30th. Sept. 1939 .. 236,875

3rd. Quarter, 1940.

Migration.

		<u>Oversea.</u>	<u>Interstate.</u>	<u>Air.</u>	<u>Total.</u>
Births No.	1,360		7,031	1,739	8,770
Deaths No.	687		7,642	1,857	9,499
Natural Increase:	673		-611	-118	-729
3rd. Quarter 1939:	615	-1	-353	-32	-386

Note: Minus sign (-) indicates excess of departures.

HOBART BUILDING PERMITS.

Month	<u>New Buildings for Habitation.</u>		<u>New Buildings for Other Purposes.</u>		<u>Alterations & Additions.</u>		<u>Totals.</u>	
	Permits	Contract Price.	Permits	Contract Price.	Permits	Contract Price.	Permits	Contract Price.
<u>1940</u> Dec.	10	£ 12,849	2	£ 8,109	9	£ 800	21	£ 21,758
<u>1939</u> Dec.	6	5,550	5	53,189(a)	8	1,575	19	60,314

(a) Includes £18,000 for Pathological Block of General Hospital.

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